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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 13 as shown in clean form below:1

13. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said selection circuit includes an internal incidence circuit configured to determine the event not contributing to imaging, on the basis of a time difference among a plurality of signals output from said at least one radiation detector.

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¹The changes being made to the claims are shown using underlining and bracketing in the attachment hereto